

**BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 8, 2015**

MAYOR'S STATEMENT: Under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., notice of the time and place of this meeting was given by way of the Annual Meeting Notice of January 2, 2015 and was forwarded to the Star Ledger, Courier News and Home News, and posted at Borough Hall.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

Mayor	Ronald Dobies
Council President	Sean Kaplan (absent)
	Kevin Dotey
	Stephen Greco (absent)
	John Madden
	Bob Schueler
	Jack Mikolajczyk

Attorney: Aravind Aithal

Mayor Dobies added the hiring of two crossing guards to the Regular Agenda and also the appointment of Bob Edwards as an alternate to the Zoning Board of Adjustments.

APPOINTMENTS

1. Councilman Dotey moved to accept the resignation of John McNulty from the Zoning Board seconded by Councilman Mikolajczyk and carried by a unanimous vote of Council.
2. Councilman Mikolajczyk moved to appoint John Fuhrmann as a member of the Zoning Board seconded by Councilman Dotey and carried by a unanimous vote of Council.
3. Councilman Dotey moved to appoint Robert Edwards as Alternate II to the Zoning Board seconded by Councilman Madden and carried by a unanimous vote of Council.

PROCLAMATIONS

The Borough Proclaimed Nadine Chemey as the "Elk's Citizen of the Year"

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Nadine Chemey received her undergraduate degree in Mathematics/Secondary Education from Holy Family University in 1987 and her graduate degree in Curriculum/Instruction in 2010 from Marygrove College in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Nadine Chemey teaching career included St. Cecelia's School in Philadelphia, McNair Academic High School in Jersey City and finally, Middlesex High School; where she has been a Mathematics teacher for twelve years, and was awarded Teacher of the Year in 2008; and

WHEREAS, Nadine Chemey was Class Adviser to the Class of 2006, Advisor to chess club, and has been the adviser of the National Honor Society for ten years and continually volunteers her time to the school district through faculty council, DECA, chaperoning events as well as many other activities; and

WHEREAS, as adviser to the National Honor Society, Nadine Chemey has organized numerous fundraisers to financially assist Middlesex families dealing with catastrophic illnesses as well as hosting the annual Memorial Day Assembly at the high school to honor our veterans. Last year, the National Honor Society organized a complimentary trip for local veterans to Washington, DC for the day, complete with meals and a welcome home salute with the help of the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and the Welcome Home Committee.

WHEREAS, Nadine Chemey has been a Girl Scout Leader of Troop 60509 in Service Unit 64 since 2002, and Service Unit Manager for 4 years, and her troop volunteered in numerous community service activities such as Family Fun Day, Tree Lighting, Caroling for Can, and SHIP. She was awarded Dedicated Leader and Outstanding Volunteer awards by Girl Scouts Heart of New Jersey Council.

WHEREAS, Nadine Chemey as a recent member of the Elks is Chairperson for Youth Activities and recently created a partnership with the Elks and the Middlesex Recreation Department and along with her daughter, Alaina established "Buddy Ball", a recreational sports program for Special Needs Children; and

WHEREAS, Nadine Chemey has been a resident of Middlesex Borough since 1992 and lives with her husband Alan and three children Daniel, Alaina, and Megan, a special needs child and past recipient of "Elks Child of the Year".

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronald S. Dobies, Mayor of Middlesex Borough, State of New Jersey, along with the Middlesex Borough Council and on behalf of the citizens of Middlesex, wish to congratulate Nadine Chemey as the Middlesex Elks "Citizen of the Year" and hereby set my hand and the Seal of the Borough of Middlesex to be affixed on this 8th day of September, 2015.

PRESENTATIONS-NONE

PUBLIC HEARING

The Borough Clerk read Ordinance No. 1880-15 by title saying it had been posted on the bulletin board and made available for any person who wanted a copy.

ORDINANCE NO. 1880-15

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 18, MUNICIPAL COURT, SECTION 18-8 PLACE;
HOURS IN THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX
THAT:**

Section 18-8 Place; Hours is amended to read as follows:

The Municipal Court shall be held in the Borough Hall. The Municipal Magistrate shall sit on each Monday from 5:00 P.M., prevailing time, until the calendar is completed and at such other times as the business of the Court may require subject to the rules adopted by the Courts of New Jersey.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Governing Body does hereby amend Chapter 18, Municipal Court, Section 18-8 to read as stated above.
2. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication according to law.

Mayor Dobies opened the public hearing on Ordinance No. 1880-15. Seeing that there was no public participation, Mayor Dobies closed the public hearing on Ordinance No. 1880-15.

Councilman Dotey made a motion for adoption of Ordinance No. 1880-15 seconded by Councilman Madden and carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Dotey, Madden, Mikolajczyk and Schueler. No: None. Abstain: None.

NEW BUSINESS - NONE

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Councilman Dotey moved to approve the August 11, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes and Executive Session Meeting Minutes seconded by Councilman Madden and carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Dotey, Madden, Mikolajczyk and Schueler. No: None. Abstain: None.

REPORTS – STANDING COMMITTEES:

1. Finance/Taxation/Real Estate/Construction Official/Insurance – Council President Kaplan was absent.
2. Recreation/Recreation Fields/Water & Light - Councilman Greco was absent.
3. Fire/OEM/Board of Health/Rescue Squad/Flood
 - A. Councilman Dotey reported that we received a letter from Jack Costa requesting the use of the 2015 Form F350 for 10-75 Emergency Lighting at the 2015 NJ Fireman's Convention. All required indemnification paperwork has been obtained. Councilman Dotey made a motion to approve the vehicle attend the Fireman's Convention seconded by Councilman Madden and carried by a unanimous vote of Council.
 - B. Councilman Dotey moved to accept Brian Chomen as Engineer of Engine 22 and Randy Rudnick as Assistant Engineer of Engine 22 seconded by Councilman Mikolajczyk and carried by a unanimous vote of Council.
 - C. Councilman Dotey moved to accept William Coughlin as an active member of the Middlesex Fire Department seconded by Councilman Mikolajczyk and carried by a unanimous vote of Council.
 - D. Mayor Dobies also reported that the Fire Department has been very active this week with a fire at the Hamiltonian Apartments and also a fire in Dunellen. There were no injuries reported.
4. Public Works/Parks/Sanitation/Recycling
 - A. Councilman Schueler reported that the DPW has been working on restriping the sidewalks and stop bars in the area of the schools and along Main streets leading to the schools, most noticeable on Harris Ave.
 - B. The DPW has rebuilt 3 storm basins specifically at Greenbrook Road behind Texas Weiner, Cook Avenue and on Mt. View Terrace. I personally thank them for the Greenbrook Road one that was really affecting driver's suspensions and causing traffic tie ups, as it reduced that intersection to one lane.
 - C. Councilman Schueler also mentioned that the DPW worked with the Board of Ed to address the cleanliness and potential rodent reinfestation behind the Mauger School by pouring a 12x 24 foot concrete pad to help clean up the garbage shed area and garbage containers.
 - D. DPW addressed a safety concern at 521 Cook Ave and the Burger Property on Lincoln Blvd. We will make sure that these charges are billed to the absentee property owner or property management group.
 - E. The DPW prepped the area, including removal of old pad and formed out area to put in a pad for backup generator for Lincoln Hose Fire Company where we have two fire trucks housed.

- F. The DPW obtained 6x6 landscape ties and 1-2 tons of clean stone that can be repurposed by the DPW from a site where a house was removed. They have also continued to work on the pot hole list, filling 45-60 pot holes since August, continued to prep fields for rec and local football teams, Tree trimming along 400 block of Hancock safety issue, swept all parking lots for schools where construction was going on in preparation of school opening, installed a new hot water heater in High School snack shack (one was never there) needed for area where food is being served.
 - G. The DPW has also had an electric upgraded to have light switches installed in mens and ladies bathrooms and storage room at High School football field, and for safety issue, there was only a central breaker in the snack shack area to turn on the lights.
 - H. All of the above jobs were done on top of normal garbage pickup, field maintenance, sign repair, and dead animal pickups.
 - I. Councilman Schueler also reported that basin cleaning has begun and they have done approximately 150 and completed repairs on 6 Catch basins including 2nd Street, Weiss Drive, and Cap Lane. Councilman Schueler recommended the DPW look at Cedar on both sides of the street as he noticed on the southwest side of street it was clogged with debris last Friday. DPW worked with County Mosquito Control Commission to remove obstructions from stream by West Second Street. This appears to have been just in time based on the rain we had this morning and today.
 - J. Councilman Schueler also mentioned that he wanted to commend Bob Teutsch and the DPW as Police Chief Geist sent a letter regarding the DPW street striping and sidewalk striping and indicated that it really showed a commitment to the safety of the town.
5. Police/Legal/Code Enforcement/Construction/Municipal Court
- A. Police Department Changes – The Police Department are coordinating interviews for three new patrol officers. The website, facebook and twitter have been updated. The bicycle has been serviced and training classes have been conducted for use of the bike.
 - B. Councilman Madden made a motion to approve the July, 2015 Police Department Monthly Report seconded by Councilman Dotey and carried by a unanimous vote of Council.
 - C. Councilman Madden reviewed with the Public the new Child Passenger Safety Law which took effect September 1, 2015.
 - D. Councilman Madden made a motion to approve the July, 2015 Municipal Court Report seconded by Councilman Dotey and carried by a unanimous vote of Council.
6. Administration/Department of Senior Services/Legislation/Licensing
- A. Councilman Mikolajczyk reported that he will be meeting with the Borough Clerk to review the Organizational chart.

- B. Councilman Mikolajczyk also mentioned that schools have now opened, and most of the Board of Education construction work has been completed.
- C. In regard to HUD, work is progressing with Daisy Park, the Lincoln Statue and at the Recreation Center. The Committee is hoping to expend the outstanding grant funds that were received from past years.
- D. The 911 Memorial Service is scheduled for Friday, September 11, 2015 at 7PM.

REPORTS

Mayor

1. 2016 NJDOT Road Grant – Mayor Dobies forwarded pictures to council and indicated that Blackford Avenue, Egel Avenue and Wood Avenue do not warrant a mill and overlay, much more extensive work is needed in this business area. The borough usually receives approximately \$350,000, and the grant application must be submitted by October, 2015.
2. Private Landscaper Cost Limit – Mayor Dobies indicated that the cost of work we are looking at to pay the outside contractors far exceeds the cost that we have in our ordinance. We presently have 2 landscapers that have applied to do this work and Mayor Dobies is recommending that the council allow the Code Enforcer to approve up to a maximum of \$1,000 on these properties. Councilman Mikolajczyk made a motion to approve Ms. Palumbo going up to \$1,000 to have the landscapers clean up the properties seconded by Councilman Madden and carried by a unanimous vote of Council.
3. CFO Position - .Mayor Dobies will be speaking again with a potential candidate that was interviewed for this position. This position is a part time position, and will be for 6 hours per week. Mayor Dobies will update council on this potential candidate.
4. Mayor Dobies discussed a company called Safe Guard that comes out and cleans out vacant homes. The cost would be paid by the bank. Mayor Dobies will forward information to council.
5. Councilman Schueler indicated that there are several areas with houses that have abandoned pools. Councilman Schueler concerned that there are pools that have water in them with no fence. He will advise Mayor Dobies of these addresses.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Consent Agenda 2014(P)

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex has reviewed the Consent Agenda consisting of various proposed resolutions; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex wish to remove Resolution #213-15 from this Consent Agenda.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the following resolutions on the Consent Agenda are hereby approved and adopted.

Resolution #208-15 – Resolution 212-15
Resolution #214-15 – Resolution #217-15

Councilman Dotey made a motion for approval seconded by Councilman Madden and carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Dotey, Madden, Mikolajczyk and Schueler. No: None. Abstain: None.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #208-15

The Tax Collector is hereby authorized to waive interest on the following 2012 Sanitary Sewer Use Charge billing. The new owner of the laundromat, Air Fresh Laundromat, was unaware of an outstanding bill. The old owner was not responding to delinquent notices and has subsequently filed bankruptcy.

Block 186, Lot 1	730 Union Avenue	\$933.07 interest
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The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #209-15

Authorizing the Mayor and Borough Clerk to execute the Yard Waste Interlocal Service Agreement with the Middlesex County Improvement Authority for a term expiring July 31, 2017.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #210-15

WHEREAS, the Borough of Middlesex has participated as a member of the Middlesex County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund (hereinafter the "Fund") existing pursuant to Chapter 372, Laws of 1983 (N.J.S.A. 40A:10-36 et. Seq.); and is desirous of continuing said membership for a term expiring on December 31, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Borough of Middlesex membership in the Fund is in the best interest of the municipality.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough of Middlesex, in the County of Middlesex, and the State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. The Borough of Middlesex hereby agrees to continue as a member of the Fund for a period commencing January 1, 2016, and terminating on December 31, 2018 for the purpose of securing the following types of insurance coverage:

- a) Workers Compensation and Employer's Liability
- b) General Liability Coverage (including Public Official, Police Professional).
- c) Motor Vehicle and Equipment Liability Coverage
- d) Property Damage Coverage (including Building & Contents, Automobile Physical Damage, Contractors Equipment, Boiler & Machinery and Public Employee Blanket Bonds).

After the expiration of the said three (3) year period of membership, participation may be canceled or extended in accordance with the ByLaws of the Fund.

SECTION 2. For the purposes of contribution of sums into the Fund to be designated for administrative costs and claims, the Borough of Middlesex hereby agrees to obtain the types of coverage from the Fund as are set forth in Section 1 of this Resolution and the Indemnity and Trust Agreement to be signed by it.

SECTION 3. The ByLaws of the Middlesex County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund, attached hereto, have been adopted and accepted.

SECTION 4. The Governing Body is hereby authorized and directed to execute an Indemnity and Trust Agreement signifying continued membership.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #211-15

WHEREAS, Jim Ford was issued a street opening permit on 1/16/15; and

WHEREAS, Jim Ford deposited \$2500.00 with the Borough of Middlesex to ensure proper repair and maintenance of the roadway; and

WHEREAS, said roadway at 60 Washington Ave. was inspected by Angelo Rossi, Plumbing Inspector, and found to have been maintained in a satisfactory manner.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that the disbursing officers be and they are hereby authorized to draw a check in the amount of \$1875.00 in favor of Jim Ford, 60 Washington Ave., Middlesex, NJ 08846, for refund of Street Opening Permit No. 2015-001.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #212-15

The Tax Collector is hereby authorized to amend 3rd quarter 2015 taxes from \$4,516.47 to \$2,301.29 & 4th quarter 2015 taxes from \$4,516.46 to \$2,301.28 on Block 47, Lot 3.01, 425 Second St. There was a computer calculation error that did not take into account the 1st & 2nd quarter payments billed and/or made.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #214-15

The Tax Collector is hereby authorized to cancel and/or amend 2013 Sanitary Sewer Use Charges on the following property. The tax credit for assessed valuation was incorrect.

<u>BLOCK/LOT</u>	<u>NAME & ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
80/4	619 Union Ave Condo Assn	\$4,870.90 old
	619 Union Ave	\$4,714.64 new

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #215-15

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that the disbursing officers be and are hereby authorized to refund escrow monies to close the following escrow accounts. Checks are to be made payable to Jeffrey Buccellato.

BLOCK/LOT	NAME	AMOUNT	ACCOUNT #
284/62	758 Drake Ave	\$ 71.00	7760142533
321/36	519 Fairview Ave	\$128.45	680034998
279/38	810 Voorhees Ave	\$ 32.54	680036753
278/7.01	817 Voorhees Ave	\$ 10.80	680037223
278/7	817 Voorhees Ave	\$120.69	680037595
278/7.02	819 Voorhees Ave	\$143.01	680039153
160/45.01	213 Fairview Ave	\$ 20.46	680043940
160/45.01	207 Fairview Ave	\$251.31	680045556
160/45.02	213 Fairview Ave	\$252.58	680047149
333/6	604 Decatur Ave	\$251.74	680049988
314/33	600-602 Voorhees Ave	\$251.44	680052552
314/35	604-606 Voorhees Ave	\$251.44	680052545

including interest to date of refund.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #216-15

The Tax Collector is hereby authorized to waive interest on the below properties due to a recording error at Middlesex County / Assessor's office. The owners name and mailing address was changed to an incorrect property owner. Dow Chemical never received the tax bills due to this error. It took several weeks to research and issue corrected bills.

Block/Lot	Name & Address
363/1	The Dow Chemical Company Along Raritan River
363/2	The Dow Chemical Company Along Raritan River
363/3	The Dow Chemical Company 150 River Rd
363/4	The Dow Chemical Company River Rd

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #217-15

The Tax Collector is hereby authorized to transfer monies from TD Bank escrow to the Current Fund MRNA account for a tax sale premium on a foreclosed property.

Block 242, Lot 21 – TTL #2010-1739 – 127 Coleman Street - \$1,500.00

The check should be made payable to: Borough of Middlesex

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #221-15

WHEREAS, Eileen A. Rourke, 317 Lorraine Avenue and Barbara Lupinski, 354 Hazelwood Avenue have met all the requirements by the Middlesex Police Department to become school crossing guards.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey hereby hire Eileen A. Rourke and Barbara Lupinski as Middlesex Borough School Crossing Guards at \$13.77/hr.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #213-15

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) recently completed a traffic investigation on Route 28 in Middlesex borough; and

WHEREAS, NJDOT recommends a revision to the centerline pavement markings on Route 28 to create a “No Passing Zone” in the vicinity of M.P. 10.88 (Fairfield Avenue) for safety reasons; and

WHEREAS, this project will create safer driving conditions in this area of Route 28.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, in the County of Middlesex, in the State of new Jersey, that it supports the use of a “No Passing Zone” on Route 28 in Middlesex Borough as recommended by NJDOT.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to NJDOT as requested.

Councilman Dotey made a motion for approval seconded by Councilman Mikolajczyk and carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Dotey, Madden, Mikolajczyk and Schueler. No: None. Abstain: None.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #193-15

The Tax Collector is hereby authorized to cancel and/or amend 2013 Sanitary Sewer Use Charges on block 42, lot 5, 651 Bound Brook Road. This is a restaurant with a residential apartment above that is serviced by the same water meter. The billing is to be reduced by the residential usage allowance of 75,000 per quarter based on Borough ordinances. The previously billed amount was \$6,830.73. The amended amount due is \$3,463.14.

Councilman Schueler made a motion to remove Resolution #193-15 from the table seconded by Councilman Madden and carried by unanimous vote of Council.

Mayor Dobies recommended that this resolution be rejected at this time based upon the recalculating of the square footage of the business and apartment.

Councilman Schueler made a motion to reject Resolution #193-15 seconded by Councilman Mikolajczyk and carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Dotey, Madden, Mikolajczyk and Schueler. No: None. Abstain: None.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #219-15

THE DISBURSING OFFICERS BE AND THEY ARE HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO PAY THE ATTACHED CLAIM LIST AS PRESENTED, IF FOUND CORRECT, AND APPROVED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE. EXCLUDED VOUCHERS MAY BE PAID UPON BEING FOUND ACCEPTABLE.

Councilman Dotey made a motion for approval seconded by Councilman Mikolajczyk and carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Dotey, Madden, Mikolajczyk and Schueler. No: None. Abstain: None.

DISCUSSION ON AGENDA WORKSHOP ITEMS

1. Mandatory Electronic Pay – Council approved the borough requiring mandatory electronic pay for all employees. An ordinance will be put on the September 22, 2015 Agenda.
2. Amending the Zoning Ordinance – Chapter 420-15 Accessory Structures & Chapter 420-62 Fences – The governing body approved that the proposed amendments sent to them by the Zoning Board of Adjustments be forwarded to the Planning Board for their review and recommendations.
3. Draft Solid Waste Facility Permit Renewal for Importico, Inc. – This letter from Attorney Clarkin was included on the agenda for informational purposes.
4. Middlesex Recreation Department – Job Coaching Work Site Agreement – The Recreation Director is awaiting fingerprints of the Director that will be supervising the students. Mayor Dobies requested that the Clerk have the Recreation Director follow up with the school for the status of the fingerprinting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Dobies opened the Public Portion of the meeting for any comments.

Rich Malt read the following letter from the Middlesex Borough Business and Professional Association:

Mayor and Council Members:

I am here once again this evening on behalf of a cohort of Borough businesses that are concerned that the current sewer ordinance and/or its implementation by the Administration have unfairly, and perhaps unlawfully, placed a disproportionate share of the costs of the Borough's sewer operations on the Borough's business community.

On the basis of these concerns, I have submitted several OPRA requests to the Borough over the course of the past fifteen months and received back a pile of papers that have only reinforced our concerns.

Based on those concerns and the level of charges being shouldered by the business community, we have now taken the step of retaining an attorney who has some level of expertise in the formation, operation and regulation of sewerage authorities and utilities. His name is David Ruitenberg and, as you are probably aware, Mr. Ruitenberg has already been in touch with the Borough's Administration and its legal counsel.

Based on Mr. Ruitenberg's review of the Borough documents previously provided to me, he has now submitted a supplemental OPRA request in the hope of obtaining a better understanding of the Borough's implementation of its unnecessarily complicated billing structure.

Following his review of these additional documents, we hope to be in a position to sit down with representatives of the Borough to discuss our concerns, the Borough's needs and concerns, and whether there might be a better way to move forward in the future that takes all of our needs and concerns into account. I'm not sure what that looks like as I stand here today, but I hope we can all agree to work together toward the goal of instituting a more equitable system of charges.

Thank you for your time.

John Ellery

Sharon Smigel, 27 Washington Avenue questioned why Resolution #218-15 was on the Agenda, since it is also in Executive Session. Also, if it was a union position. Mayor Dobies indicated that it was placed on the Non-Consent Agenda, so that the Council could discuss in Executive Session prior to taking a vote adding that it is a union position.

John Ellery, 701 Lincoln Boulevard questioned Resolution #193-15 and the owner that received a letter and paid his bill. Mr. Ellery insisted that this resolution was approved in the minutes. Mr. Ellery also questioned who makes the decisions to refund money back.

Mayor Dobies indicated that a clerical mistake was made with Resolution #193-15 and this will be corrected. Also, Mayor Dobies indicated that he and the Acting CFO make decisions on refunding fees.

Seeing that there was no further public participation, Mayor Dobies closed the public portion of the meeting.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #220-15

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a Public Body to go into closed session during a Public Meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the Public; and

WHEREAS, the regular meeting of this Governing Body will reconvene.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex will go into closed session for the following reason listed below as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 and the minutes will be kept, and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the items no longer require confidentiality, the minutes can be made public.

1. Chief of Police's Contract
2. DPW Manager Test & Recycling Coordinator Position/Class Attendance
3. Violation's Clerk Position
4. Potential Suit – Private Communication Leak
5. Sewer Fee – Resolution #193-15
6. Piscataway Sewer User Charges & Potential Suit
7. Part Time Salaries & Stipends

Councilman Schueler made a motion for approval seconded by Councilman Madden and carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Dotey, Madden, Mikolajczyk and Schueler. No: None. Abstain: None.

Councilman Madden moved to reconvene the Regular Meeting seconded by Councilman Schueler and carried by the following roll call vote.

ROLL CALL

Mayor	Ronald Dobies
Council President	Sean Kaplan (absent)
	Kevin Dotey
	Stephen Greco (absent)
	John Madden
	Bob Schueler
	Jack Mikolajczyk

Attorney: Aravind Aithal

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #218-15

The governing body hereby hires Daniela Cordero, 1145 Meister Street, South Plainfield, NJ to work as the Violations Clerk at \$32,000 per year, 37 ½ hours per week, which hours will be staggered to replenish the Court session overtime, as stated in the White Collar Contract, Article 9 – Salary and Other Compensation. This job is pending a satisfactory background and physical.

Councilman Madden made a motion for approval seconded by Councilman Schueler and carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Dotey, Madden, Mikolajczyk and Schueler. No: None. Abstain: None.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Schueler made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting seconded by Councilman Mikolajczyk and carried by a unanimous vote of members present.

Respectfully yours,

Kathleen Anello, RMC
Borough Clerk